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Master of Science in Space Systems Operations

The NPS Space Systems Academic Group is now offering a Master of Science in Space Systems Operations (MSSSO) beginning on 25 September 2006. It is open to all qualified uniformed officers, federal employees, and a limited number of Defense contractor civilians. This is an accredited, 24-month part-time program delivered via a combination of online courses and video tele-education (VTE) courses augmented with video streaming.

Students must be sponsored by their service, command, or company. Price includes all tuition, faculty transportation and per diem for onsite visits, and VTC communications costs. Textbooks or additional class materials or student travel costs not included.

Enrolled DL students meet the same degree requirements as on-campus students. If a candidate student has completed the NPS Space Systems certificate then they have already completed three of the required courses for the MSSSO-DL program. Details are available online at http://www.nps.edu/dl/NPSO/degree_progs/MSSSO.html or contact the Program Manager, Dr. Walter Owen at (636) 925-2982 or wowen@nps.edu.



Systems Engineering Management

The Systems Engineering Management (SEM) degree is offered in partnership with MIT's "Educational Consortium for Product Development Leadership in the 21st Century" (PD21) program. SEM-PD21 is a joint engineering and management degree. The majority of courses are offered by video tele-education (VTE) and/or web-based education (WBE). Students will receive a Master of Science in Systems Engineering Management, Systems Engineering, or Product Development; a PD21 Certificate/Certificate of Recognition from MIT; and certain Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Equivalencies. Students must be sponsored by their service, command, or company. Discounts are offered to a command or company sponsoring multiple students. Price includes tuition, course support materials, travel and per diem for campus/industry visits, and DL bridging costs. Details are available online at <http://www.nps.navy.mil/se/pd21/> or by contacting the Program Manager, Dr. Walter Owen, (636) 925-2982, wowen@nps.edu. The application deadline is **1 August 2006**.



Master of Science in Systems Engineering

NPS is offering a two-year, eight-quarter part-time Master of Science in Systems Engineering degree program with an Information Systems-C4I focus. The program is open to all qualified uniformed officers, federal employees, and a limited number of defense contractor civilians. This program is delivered using a blended mix of DL methods. Students take two courses a quarter using video-tele-education (VTE) or web-based instruction (online). The VTE classes are offered in three-hour sessions on Mondays between 0800-1430 (Pacific time). Command sponsorship is required. Details are available at http://www.nps.edu/dl/npsso/degree_progs/msse.html or by contacting Dr. Walter Owen, (636) 925-2982, wowen@nps.edu. Applications will be accepted through **15 August 2006**.



A Word from George Zolla, CAPT, USNR (Ret.)

Director, San Diego PME Outreach Office and PACNORWEST POC

The Naval Postgraduate School's Navy (NETC) or command (NPS) Distributed Learning (DL) sponsored, resulting in no cost to the student except for books and supplies.

We offer a wide selection of online certificates and VTC delivered Master's programs, both in and outside the continental United States.

Plans are underway for an increased NPS presence in the PACNORWEST area. NPS will soon be conducting a site survey and discussing long term plans with command representatives. Meetings will also be held with local Navy College Offices to determine areas of collaboration for providing graduate education opportunities to officers, available through NPS. I can be enlisted, and civilian reached at gazolla@nps.edu or by phone at (619) 556-3282 or NPS DL programs are either DSN 526-3282.

I invite you to take a look at the details of each program in this newsletter and online, or call or e-mail me to discuss the many educational opportunities available through NPS. I can be reached at gazolla@nps.edu or by phone at (619) 556-3282 or DSN 526-3282.

NETC SPONSORED PROGRAMS

Certificates



Seats are currently available in several online certificate programs, including Space Systems, Information Systems and Operations, and Information Systems Technology. Priority admittance is offered to active duty URLs, but programs are open to restricted line officers, enlisted personnel, and DoD civilians. NPS has partnered with NETC to offer these programs as fully-funded in FY06 for USN and USMC military students, and GS employees reporting to a USN/USMC command. For these groups, there is no tuition required from the student or his/her command. Tuition fees will apply for all other students, to be funded through sponsorship from their command. Details are available online at <http://www.nps.edu/dl>, or contact NPS San Diego Office Area Director CAPT George Zolla, (619) 556-3282, (gazolla@nps.edu).

Executive Master of Business Administration

The Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) program is a 24-month, defense-focused part-time graduate program that includes a financial management concentration. The majority of the program is delivered via video teleconferencing (VTC), the internet, and other DL modes. Graduates will receive an executive MBA degree and officers will be assigned a 3100P subspecialty code, Financial Management-Defense Focus. Tuition for the EMBA program is Navy-funded for all enrolled personnel. Officers participating in this program shall incur a service obligation, to be discharged concurrently with any other obligation already incurred. Details are available online at www.nps.navy.mil/gsbpp/emba or by e-mailing emba@nps.edu. The EMBA application deadline is **21 July 2006**.